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U.S. Serial No. : 09/285,550  
Filed : April 2, 1999  
For : MONITORING A VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORK  
Group No. : 2157  
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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/285,550  
Applicant: MATTHEW W. POISSON, ET AL.  
Title: "MONITORING A VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORK"  
Our File: BA0435US (NORT10-00077)

Dear Sir:

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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

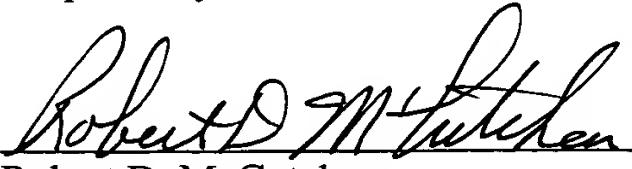
In response to the Notice of Allowance dated September 28, 2004, Applicant provides the following in response to the Statement of Reasons For Allowance:

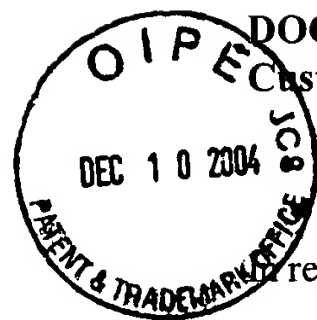
Applicants believe that the claims and description of the invention are adequately described and set forth in the specification such that Applicants' claimed invention, and terms and features described therein, are readily understood by those of ordinary skill in the art as set forth in the allowed claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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**LETTER TO OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN**

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed September 28, 2004, the Applicant submits thirty-six (36) sheets of formal drawings (FIGURES 1-39) in the above-referenced patent application.

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